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Residents Enter Battle on Signs

Freak Wind Hits Peninsula Area

Torrance residents hunted up electric fans and cool drinks yesterday as the city noted its hottest day in two years, and it wasn't all generated by the Nashua-Swaps race either.

Leukemia Takes Early Merchant Harry Abramson

Death came early this week to one of the city's pioneer retailers, Harry M. Abramson, 54, of 1603 Post Ave. owner and operator of National Home Appliances since he opened it in 1934.

Mr. Abramson died Sunday at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital after an acute attack of leukemia. He had been hospitalized more than a week at the time of his death.

Flooded Areas Need More Aid

With thousands of persons from Torrance and Southern California opening their hearts and purses for sufferers in six eastern states, Torrance's Red Cross chairman, Mayor Albert Isen, reported that contributions to the emergency relief fund early this week had approached a total of \$150,000.

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Weather earlier this week gave no indication of the heat to come, as Monday's and Tuesday's highs were 74 and 79, respectively.

Mr. Abramson had been active in many local organizations during his Torrance residence. He was president of the Rotary Club in 1939-40, a charter member of the local B'nai B'rith organization, and a member of the Loyal Order of Moose. He also was a member of the Furniture Retailers Assn. of the Los Angeles area.

Escapée to Face Trial

Ralph Witherow faces trial today in South Bay Municipal Court, as a result of recent altercation with his former wife, a Torrance resident.



NEW NORTH TORRANCE STATION - Bids will be called soon for the remodeling of the North Torrance Fire Station No. 3 which is shown above in the architect's drawing.

Danish Student Will Live Here

In Denmark, if somebody tells you that your slip is showing, nobody gets at all excited. That's because a "slip" in Danish is a "tie" in English.

Banks to Close Monday, Friday

Torrance banks will be closed for two days next week, according to officials of the California Bank and the Bank of America.



CHAMPIONSHIP FORM - Ole Askhave, Danish exchange student, shows his little "brother," Neal Harvey, his shot put form, which last year won him second place in all-Danish competition for his age group.

Torrance Family Struck By Polio

Life took a decided turn for the worse for a young Torrance couple Friday when the husband, an employee of Longren Aircraft Co., was taken to Los Angeles County General Hospital with bulbar polio, leaving his wife and two small children without a means of support.

Man Takes Axe to Car

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Firm, Residents Tiff Over Signs

Traffic and signs were the bones of contention as angry residents clashed with representatives of the Palos Verdes Riviera Corp. this week.

Angered by what they termed excessive truck traffic during the week and sightseeing traffic on week ends, several residents of Calle Mayor, Via Los Miradores, and Avenida Atarazada tore down signs directing traffic to the new housing development.

Residents asked that the trucks be routed along Pacific Coast Hwy. to Palos Verdes Blvd., back along Calle de Arboles, which is wider than the present route.

'Y' Secretary Resigns, Hunt On for Snipers

Stanley G. Roberts, executive secretary of the Torrance YMCA for several years, has resigned to accept a teaching assignment with the Torrance Unified School District.

Children's Safety Sought

Residents said that they feared for the safety of their children when they saw the car of Jack Gardner, 30, of 1860 Torrance Blvd., Wednesday morning, splitting the hood open and smashing the rear window.

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